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MAYORALTY CONTESTS CLOSE AND EXCITING

Seven Candidates are Seeking the Governorship in Massachusetts

(By Associated Press.)

Columbus, O., Nov. 2.—Ohio will hold her first election next Tuesday under the new law, which separates municipal elections from state and national elections, and local issues, therefore, alone engage the attention of the voters and the difficulty in forecasting results is increased by the fact that in municipal elections the Ohio voter exercises his independence to a great degree and casts aside his political affiliations.

In Cleveland the mayoralty contest, which overshadowed every other consideration here, is stirring and aggressive. Mayor Tom L. Johnson, the Democratic nominee, is up for reelection for the fourth time and has for his opponent Theodore E. Burton, who resigned a seat in congress to enter the contest. If Burton should win it would make him a formidable candidate for governor and increase his chances for succeeding Forsaker in the United States senate. A victory for Johnson might likewise have a far-reaching effect, as it would probably make him a possibility for the Democratic presidential nomination.

The contest for the mayoralty in Cincinnati is one of the most exciting that has taken place in that city for a number of years. Mayor Edward L. Dempsey, Democrat, is a candidate for reelection. A considerable element of the Democratic party, however, was displeased with Dempsey's method in securing a renomination, and the result was the naming of an independent ticket headed by Frank L. Platt as the candidate for mayor. The split in the Democratic ranks is expected to result in the election of the Republican candidate, Colonel Leopold Marbrey. Colonel Marbrey is editor of the Cincinnati Volksblatt, and it is expected he will receive virtually the entire German-American vote.

The enforcement of the Sunday and midnight closing of saloons law is the issue in Columbus. For the first time in its history the local Democratic party has presented a candidate and platform, unequivocally for the enforcement of these laws, and the continuation of the "old" policy of the present mayor, a Democrat. It was he who made the issue and his party endorses it as being in line with the sentiment of the people. The Republican candidate for mayor and his party managers have not specifically

declared for the suppression of saloons on Sunday and their antagonists declare they are being backed by the brewery and liquor interests of the city. It is uncertain whether to predict a Democratic gain or loss in Columbus. The party has made a vigorous fight and claim that their ticket will be elected by a substantial majority. The campaign is to close to a close tonight with a great public meeting in Memorial Hall at which Governor Folk of Missouri will be the speaker.

The situation in Toledo is complicated by the introduction of an independent movement, headed by Brand Whitlock, the present mayor. Both leading parties have complete municipal tickets in the field.

Seven Candidates in Bay State. Boston, Mass., Nov. 2.—Seven candidates are seeking the governorship in Massachusetts including the Republican governor, Curtis Guild, Jr., who is seeking reelection for a third term. Henry M. Whitney, millionaire and brother of the late William C. Whitney of New York, is the regular Democratic candidate. Charles W. Bartlett, who failed to secure the Democratic nomination, is running on an independent ticket platform which has as its chief issue opposition to the proposed merger of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad and the Boston and Maine railroad. In addition there are candidates on the Socialist Labor, Socialist, Prohibition and Independence League tickets.

One of the most interesting contests is that for District Attorney in Suffolk county, which includes Boston. District Attorney John B. Moran, who is completing a two year's term is up for reelection on the ticket of the Independence League, and also on independent nomination papers. He is opposed by Joseph A. Denahan, who served as his assistant for a short time, and who defeated him for the Democratic nomination, and by Walter A. Webster, the Republican nominee.

The Contest in New Jersey. Trenton, N. J., Nov. 2.—The gubernatorial campaign in New Jersey, which will end with the election next Tuesday, has been fought on an entirely state issue, chief among which is the excise situation. The Republican candidate is J. Franklin Fort, a justice of the Supreme court. Frank S. Katzenbach, a former mayor of this city, is the Democratic candidate. The Prohibition, Independent, Socialist and Socialist-Labor parties also have candidates in the field.

In Rhode Island. Providence, R. I., Nov. 2.—The present campaign in Rhode Island has been in a considerable extent a duplication of last year when James H. Higgins, a Democrat, was elected. He made a popular governor, has been renominated, and the indications are that he will probably be reelected. The Republican candidate is Frederick H. Jackson, the present lieutenant governor of the state. The Republicans, while not sure of the governorship are confident of electing the remainder of their ticket.

Exciting Contest in Maryland. Baltimore, Md., Nov. 2.—The present contest in Maryland is an exciting one for the political situation. In addition to the state ticket, including the governorship, controller and attorney general, a legislature is to be elected that will elect two United States senators—one to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator George (Continued on page 4)

TWO C's SEEM THE FAVORITES

INDICATIONS THAT CAMP BELL AND CROMWELL WILL LAND

FRANTZ CONFIDENT OF THEIR APPOINTMENT

President Roosevelt Wants All Candidates to Leave Washington

Special to Daily Leader.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Indications that R. E. Campbell will be made judge of the Eastern district of Oklahoma and W. O. Cromwell of the Western district are stronger than they were Tuesday night, when it was first stated in dispatches that they would probably be selected by the President.

Gov. Frantz of Oklahoma said today that he felt confident of the appointment of Campbell and Cromwell. The governor is recognized as far and away the most powerful friend at court an applicant for a federal position in Oklahoma can have, as he and the President served in the Rough Riders together. The governor has endorsed these two candidates and has been pulling for them all this week. He and Mrs. Frantz were guests at luncheon at the White House.

It is known that President Roosevelt has expressed himself very emphatically concerning the activity of several candidates for judgeships who are on the territorial bench. The President told a confidant today that he disapproves most heartily of the course being pursued by these judges who come here to urge their claims upon him, and otherwise, induce him to appoint them to the federal bench. The President said he did not think it becoming in a candidate for a judicial position to exercise the privilege of aspirants for other offices and make a campaign for the office.

Governor Frantz had a conference today with Secretary Catherin concerning financial conditions in the territory. He reported that Acting Governor Fison had advised him that matters had "eased up" in Oklahoma and that the outlook was promising. Governor Frantz said that the week bank holiday had been declared by the acting governor at the request of the bankers in the territory.

"We have a million-bale cotton crop and 35,000,000 bushels of wheat to move," said Gov. Frantz. "Money is scarce but now, but we expect in a short time to get all we need from St. Louis, Kansas City, Wichita and other cities of the West. It is the custom of Oklahoma banks to keep small deposits on hand. As a result, things looked rather bad for a while when the flurry occurred in New York but I am satisfied that in a few days normal conditions will be restored in Oklahoma."

BOARD OF SURVEY REPORTS. National Guard Not Responsible for Loss in Fort Reno Fire.

The board of survey of the Oklahoma National Guard, composed of Captain Chas. F. Barrett, of Shawnee; Captain A. L. Roney, of Wagon, and Lieut. W. J. Olsen, of Beld, finished the work this morning of examining the affidavits of the officers and enlisted men of the Ok. N. G., as to the responsibility of the fire loss during a "sumpout" at Fort Reno last month, and rendered a report that the fire was wholly beyond control of the militia organization and the loss occasioned in part by their heroic efforts to protect the property of the territory and the United States.



Giacomo Marconi, the inventor of wireless telegraphy, has just opened his stations for commercial business, despite the prediction of the famous electrical engineers and other experts that he would never succeed in his efforts. The Marconi company is handling about 10,000 words of newspaper reports and commercial business daily, thus marking another step in scientific advancement.

FOR FOOTBALL GLORY.

Edmond and Logan County High School Playing This Afternoon. The Central State Normal school football team of Edmond is playing the Logan county high school team on the Electric park grounds this afternoon.

The visitors are much heavier in weight but it is understood that they are not so well drilled as the local team. Prof. Norris is coaching the game, and G. Seiser, of the Edmond team is referee.

BONUS NOTE GIVERS.

To Hold Meeting at Green & Tibbette's Office.

There will be a conference of the bonus note givers to the Fort Smith & Western Railway Co. next Monday, Nov. 4, at 2 p. m., at Green & Tibbette's office, at which time Attorney H. B. Martin, of Perry, and others will be present. Those interested in a common defense are invited to attend. T. C. Whitely.

COMMITTEE STARTS KICKAPOO PROBE

(By Associated Press.) Enid, Okla., Nov. 2.—The senatorial investigation of alleged frauds with regard to the transfer of the lands of the Kickapoo Indians has begun this night by Senator Teller of Colorado and Chief of Kansas, members of the sub-committee of the senate committee on Indian affairs.

HOPKINS FEIGNING INSANITY

BRUTAL WIFEMURDERER TRAPS TO BUILT BRAINS OUT

DANGER OF MOB VIOLENCE HAS PASSED

But Guard of Militia is Retained as Measure of Precaution

Special to Daily Leader.

Lawton, Okla., Nov. 2.—Either insane or feigning insanity, John Hopkins, the Missouri gambler who murdered his wife with a meat ax, afterward poured carbolic acid down her throat, and attempted to take his own life by swallowing a quantity of the fluid Wednesday night, had a special guard placed over him yesterday afternoon, to prevent efforts to kill his brains out against the bars of his cell.

During the evening jailer Julian was alarmed by inmates of the jail, who stated that the wife murderer was attempting to kill himself. He had made several attempts to commit self-murder by plunging against the walls of the cell. None of his efforts were productive of results or even wounds, which leads to the belief that the prisoner is feigning insanity.

Since his incarceration, Hopkins has lain flat on his stomach and except for the time when he is supposed to have been trying to commit suicide, has steadily refused water or nourishment of any character, and has not uttered a word. If addressed he stares, wild eyed, directly ahead, apparently unconscious of his surroundings.

Despite former feigning insanity, Hopkins and all danger of mob violence is considered passed, but alone because of cooler judgment prevailing, but because of the man's physical condition. The 25 members of the National Guard on duty have been displaced by five men only as a precautionary measure. No one is allowed to see him prisoner except the officers and newspaper men.

The funeral of Mrs. Hopkins, which has been delayed until the arrival of her parents, J. B. Hayworth and wife, of Kingman, Mo., was held today. J. J. Haynes, brother-in-law of Mrs. Hopkins, at whose home the crime was committed, stated today that Hopkins, whose his marriage eighteen years ago, had been a heavy drinker, was addicted to gambling and was generally considered bad, ill-tempered and a cruel man. Trouble between himself and wife had been of frequent occurrence and although no such tragic climax was expected, it was not wholly surprising when it did occur.

FARMERS TAKE ACTION

Special Meeting of the Logan County Association. A special meeting of the stockholders of the Logan County Farmers Co-operative association was held yesterday afternoon in the city hall for the purpose of considering the cotton situation and devising ways and means for the relief of banks that have been co-operating with the association.

Business Manager I. H. Caldwell made an impressive and effective address, and his plan met with the unanimous endorsement of the meeting. The constitution of the association as amended so as to permit members to hold five shares each instead of one, and thus enable the association to raise emergency security.

TODAY IN THE DEPARTMENTS.

A charter was issued from the territorial secretary's office today to the Black Top Oil company, of Morris, with \$50,000 capital stock. The directors are: G. W. Sanders, R. F. Jones and R. A. Bagley, of Morriston, and J. C. Sanders, of Billings.

Increased Capital Stock. The directors of the Pine Leaf lumber company, of Oklahoma City, notified Territorial Secretary Chas. H. Fison this morning that they had increased their capital stock from \$150,000 to \$225,000. The directors are: J. F. Crawford, J. F. Crawford, H. B. Crawford, F. A. Goodrich and A. M. McDavis, all of Oklahoma City.

TELLER GRIEVED OVER DEATH OF HIS CHILD

Special to Daily Leader. Shawnee, Okla., Nov. 2.—Russell Johnson, 25 years old, was found by his wife early this morning with his throat cut with a razor. He is in a dangerous condition and has out a slight chance of recovering. He was a young man of splendid habits, respected in the community and well thought of by his associates in business. His friends say that his action was due to temporary insanity brought about by the death of his child last week and the recent financial trouble. He was teller in the State National bank of this city, of which Willard Johnson is president and Cashier, cashier.

GUESTS FLED HOTEL CLAD IN NIGHTIES

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, Nov. 2.—Dozens of guests of the Plaza hotel, North avenue and Clark street, fled from their rooms in confusion early this morning when fire broke out in the basement of the hotel. The landings were filled with smoke and the guests fled in haste, in reaching the street. About one hundred men and women fled down the fire escape to the first floor from whence they were assisted by firemen.

Guests, most of them thinly clad, sought refuge in stores nearby. Some of them had been slightly hurt. About forty women, becoming exhausted, were carried down ladders and the escapees fled. Several were severely bruised. The property loss is only about \$500.

POSTMASTERS MAY HOLD OVER

Passing of Territories Into Statehood Will Not Affect Their Commissions or Bonds.

Special to Daily Leader. Washington, Nov. 2.—According to officials of the postoffice department, the passing of Indian Territory and Oklahoma into statehood will not affect the commissions or bonds of the postmasters of the two territories.

That a new deal along the lines of postmasterdom would be desirable is admitted by some of them. State Chairman Bostes would not be adverse to the change especially in Indian Territory, where he says there are a lot of Democratic postmasters, whose places could be filled with good Republicans. Whether or not there will be any changes remains for the future to determine.

So far as the commissions of the present incumbents are concerned, however, they will not require any change. The word "territory" will be eliminated and replaced by state in the commissions and bonds. The postmaster at Muskogee, L. T. will remain postmaster as Muskogee, even though it will become Muskogee, Okla.

There have been reported instances of changes of postoffices from one county to another, but in no case has the department required a new bond or changed the commission, and it is only the bond that the department is seriously concerned about.

Should there be a shake-up of postmasters in the new state, the best opportunity this has yet arisen would be afforded for the building up of a powerful party machine. This is why, causes some of the anxious party leaders to look constantly toward the postoffices, and they have made some

FINANCE FLURRY FIZZLES

GUTHRIE BANKS PURSUING BUSINESS WITHOUT A JAR

FEW DEPOSITORS WITHDRAWING MONEY

Returning Confidence Brings Activity to Business in All Lines

The fact that the local banks have received much more currency today on deposit than yesterday proves beyond doubt that the banks will not have any trouble in the least. At several of the institutions not a demand for cash was made today that was not complied with.

Charles Robert Schilling of the Guthrie National bank said this afternoon: "The bankers of Oklahoma are experiencing much less trouble than other states where there is a large foreign population. This I account for by the intelligence of the Oklahoma citizenship. Only those persons who are ignorant and do not understand the conditions are making demands for their money."

At the Guthrie National bank this morning a deposit of \$5,000 in currency was made by a single individual. This bank gained \$10,000 yesterday in currency over what it paid out, and today will run about \$5,000 more, than yesterday.

The Guthrie Savings bank, the Oklahoma State bank and the National Bank of Commerce and the Logan County bank each received from \$2,000 to \$3,000 more currency than they paid out and will run half as much again today.

Cotton is being bought on the streets today quite freely and wholesale and retail houses are receiving currency in large quantities in payment of accounts. "Everything is going along beautifully," said every bank president in the city today when asked how the situation was, and stated that they were being worked to death making up for the four days the banks were closed.

Business at Oklahoma City. Oklahoma City, Nov. 2.—Banks in this city all opened this morning on the limited payment plan advised by the Bankers' association of the two territories at the meeting in Guthrie Thursday night. There is no evidence of a run. Deposits were received greatly in excess of amounts withdrawn.

SEEKS CHARTER ANNULMENT

Territory Alleges Illegal Merger for Controlling Prices of Cotton and Cotton Products.

Joseph R. Cline, assistant attorney general of Oklahoma, left last night for Tecumseh to file a petition in the district court of Polkawawnee county asking an annulment of the Oklahoma charter under which the New State Brokerage company, of Shawnee and Oklahoma City is operating on the ground that it has issued and extended its corporate authority by creating a merger for controlling the output and the price of cotton and all cotton products of the two territories, and over freight rates on cotton.

This company was chartered on June 15, 1906, with a capital stock of \$25,000, with the following prominent men as incorporators and directors:

W. H. Lillard, Fort Smith, Ark.; R. K. Wooten, Chickasha, I. T.; P. A. Norris, Ada, I. T.; A. G. Atkins, Madill, I. T.; William H. Coyne, Guthrie, I. T.; A. Delort, Shawnee, and William W. Biers, Oklahoma City.

The petition, which was prepared by Assistant Attorney General Cline and Thomas R. Cline, has as plaintiff the territory of Oklahoma by W. O. Cromwell, attorney general. It charges that the company in its efforts to control the price of cotton and the output work throughout all of Oklahoma and Indian Territory and with the cotton oil mills of all surrounding states.

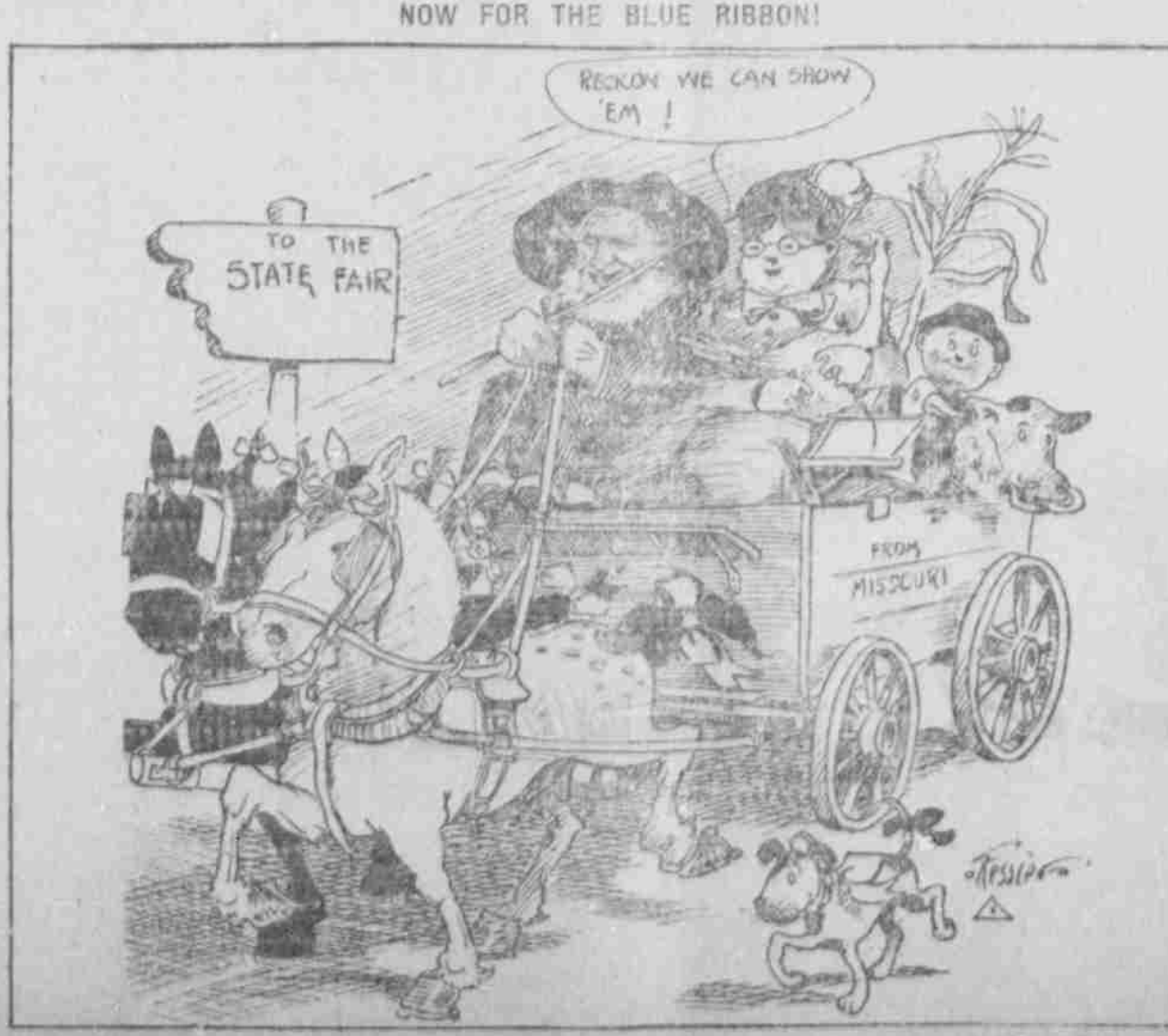
The petition recites in detail the manner in which the company works to control the cotton output, and in part is as follows: "That said corporation instead of conducting in a legitimate manner, a brokerage business for the purpose of getting out in the articles of incorporation

tion, has agreed to and has formed a combination of interest among cotton mills, cotton seed mills, cotton seed oil mills and other mills for the purpose of controlling and controlling the price of all cotton, cotton seed and cotton seed oil products in the territory of Oklahoma, with intent to drive the small dealer out of business, do away with competition and force the producers and others, doing business with said corporation, to accept, receive and pay the price and prices set and fixed by said corporation. The New State Brokerage company, for all cotton, cotton seed and cotton seed oil products; and in so controlling the price, is also endeavoring to control or dictate the rates to be charged by the railroads of the territory on cotton seed shipments to outside mills, and is actively opposing the reduction of said rates in order that the small dealer or mill owner may not be able to deal with outside mills, but forced to deal with said corporation.

"That said corporation is attempting to control and is controlling in the territory of Oklahoma, not only the sale, but the output and disposition of cotton seed, after its separation from the staple.

"That said corporation is making and has made arrangements and agreements with cotton seed and cotton seed oil mills outside the territory of Oklahoma, whereby the said corporation should receive the said outside mills with certain quantities of

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—Ketcher in St. Louis Republic.

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